

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF OIL, GAS AND MINING
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
STATE OF UTAH**

IN THE MATTER OF THE REQUEST FOR AGENCY ACTION OF QEP ENERGY COMPANY FOR AN ORDER EXTENDING THE BOARD'S ORDER ENTERED IN CAUSE No. 191-06, WHICH SUSPENDED THE APPLICATION OF UTAH ADMIN. CODE R649-3-2, R649-3-10, AND R649-3-11(1) AND (2) FOR THE AREA LOCATED WITHIN THE OURAY PARK II FEDERAL EXPLORATORY UNIT, TO THE LANDS ADDED THROUGH EXPANSION OF THE UNIT, CONSISTING OF ALL OF SECTION 1, THE NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ OF SECTION 11, AND THE E $\frac{1}{2}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$, AND THE NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ OF SECTION 12, TOWNSHIP 7 SOUTH, RANGE 20 EAST, SLM, UINTAH COUNTY, UTAH

NOTICE OF HEARING

Docket No. 2015-015
Cause No. 191-07

THE STATE OF UTAH TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE FOLLOWING MATTER.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining ("Board"), State of Utah, pursuant to Utah Administrative Code R641-113-100, has designated a hearing examiner to conduct a hearing on TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 2015, at 10:00 AM, or as soon thereafter as possible, in room 2000 of the Department of Natural Resources, 1594 West North Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah.

The hearing will be conducted as a formal administrative adjudication in accordance with the rules of the Board as set forth in Utah Administrative Code R641 et seq. and as provided for in Utah Code Ann. § 40-6-1 et seq. and Utah Code Ann. § 63G-4-101 through 601.

The purpose of the hearing will be for the hearing examiner to receive testimony and evidence regarding a Request for Agency Action to:

1. Pursuant to its authority under Utah Code 40-6-5(3)(b) and R649-2-1 and 649-2-3, extend the Board's previous order entered on December 5, 2014, in Cause No. 191-06 to suspend the application of Utah Admin. Code R649-3-2, R649-3-10, and R649-3-11(1) and (2) for the area located within the expansion of the Ouray Park II Federal Exploratory Unit (the "OP II Unit"), covering the following lands:

Township 7 South, Range 20 East, SLM

Section 1: Lots 1-4, S $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$, S $\frac{1}{2}$ [All]

Section 11: NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$

Section 12: E $\frac{1}{2}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$

(containing 1,201.28 acres, more or less);

2. Providing that the producing interval in any future well may not be located closer than 460 feet to the boundaries of the Ouray Park II Federal Exploratory Unit (the "OP II Unit") without obtaining an exception location from the Division pursuant to Utah Admin. Code R649-3-3;

3. Providing that no well may be directionally drilled if any producing portion of the 460 foot radius along the projected wellbore intersects with the boundaries of the OP II Unit without complying with the requirements of Utah Admin. Code R649-3-11;

4. Providing that QEP or its successor as unit operator of the OP II Unit agrees to provide (1) a plat or sketch showing the distance to lease boundaries and the target location with any application for permit to drill filed for a directionally drilled well and (2) a copy of the annual plan of development and operation for the OP II Unit;

5. Providing the requested suspension of these rules will remain in effect only for as long as the subject lands are committed to the OP II Unit; and

6. Providing for such other and further relief as may be just and equitable under the circumstances.

The examiner's proposed findings of fact and conclusions of law will be filed with the Board of Oil, Gas, and Mining and presented at the next regularly scheduled Board hearing which has been set for WEDNESDAY, MAY 27, 2015, at 9:00 AM or as soon thereafter as possible, in room 1040 of the Department of Natural Resources, 1594 West North Temple, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Objections to the Request for Agency Action must be filed with the Secretary of the Board at the address listed below no later than the 14th day of April, 2015. A party must file a timely written objection or other response in order to participate as a party at the Board hearing. Failure to participate can result in a default judgment.

Natural persons may appear and represent themselves before the Board. All other representation of parties before the Board will be by attorneys licensed to practice law in the


State of Utah, or attorneys licensed to practice law in another jurisdiction which meet the rules of the Utah State Bar for practicing law before the Utah Courts.

Persons interested in this matter may participate pursuant to the procedural rules of the Board. The Request for Agency Action, and any subsequent pleadings, may be inspected at the office of the undersigned, and inspected online at the Utah Board of Oil, Gas and Mining's website at <http://ogm.utah.gov/amr/boardtemp/redesign/books.html>.

Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons requiring auxiliary communicative aids and services to enable them to participate in this hearing should call Julie Ann Carter at (801) 538-5277, at least three working days prior to the hearing date.

DATED this 31st day of March, 2015.

STATE OF UTAH
BOARD OF OIL, GAS AND MINING
Ruland J. Gill, Jr., Chairman



/s/ Julie Ann Carter
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CERTIFICATE OF PUBLISHED NOTICE

I hereby certify that I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing NOTICE OF HEARING for Docket No. 2015-015, Cause No. 191-07 to be PUBLISHED in the following newspapers on the following days:

April 5, 2015:

The Salt Lake Tribune and Deseret Morning News, newspapers of general circulation in Salt Lake City and County.

April 7, 2015:

Uintah Basin Standard, a newspaper of general circulation in Duchesne and Uintah Counties.

April 7, 2015:

Vernal Express, a newspaper of general circulation in Daggett and Uintah Counties.



CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 31st day of March, 2015, I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing NOTICE OF HEARING for Docket No. 2015-015, Cause No. 191-07, to be mailed by Email or via First Class Mail with postage prepaid, to the following:

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